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TO: School Food Authority Administrators and Foodservice Managers

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SUBJECT: Quantity Recipes for Schools

The new *U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Recipes for Schools* was distributed to school districts and Residential Child Care Institutions (RCCIs) this summer.

The new recipe publication consists of two components: a hard-cover, wire-o-bound printed booklet (approximately 68 pages) and a CD-ROM containing the recipe files. The printed booklet discusses how to use and adjust the recipes, includes nutrient information, and contains many reference charts helpful for foodservice operations. The CD-ROM contains the recipe files listed alphabetically by recipe name, number, and category. The new recipes are also available online at the National Food Service Management Institute (NFSMI) Web site: www.nfsmi.org.

Effective July 1, 2006, schools using previous versions of quantity recipes for schools published by the USDA or the NFSMI must now use the new *USDA Recipes for Schools* for meeting meal requirements for federal reimbursement. Please be sure your schools are aware of these changes and that they are using the up-to-date recipes. All previous versions of quantity recipes for schools published by the USDA or the NFSMI are obsolete and should not be used.

If your school district or RCCI did not receive a copy of the publication, you may order a copy from the National Food Service Management Institute. Please submit all orders to **TN.Orders@fns.usda.gov**. Orders will be filled in the order they are received once copies arrive from the printer.

If you have questions, please contact School Nutrition Programs at (406) 444-2501.